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: Examiner:

: Robert P. Swiatek

Title: In Orbit Space Transportation:

: Group Art Unit: 3643

& Recovery System

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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW WITH EXAMINER SWIATEK

On September 20, 2006, the undersigned Attorney conducted a telephone interview with Examiner Swiatek regarding the above identified patent application. Claims 1 and 3 were allowed, and Claims 2 and 4 - 85 were withdrawn from consideration as being directed to non-elected inventions. The undersigned consented to an Examiner's Amendment cancelling the withdrawn claims, without prejudice, from the present application to permit a patent to issue with allowed Claims 1 and 3.

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The undersigned confirms that the Interview Summary attached to the Notice of Allowance dated October 6, 2006, is an accurate representation of the interview between the undersigned and Examiner Swiatek.

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